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## On the Finnish Christmas stamps, bear fetch their Christmas tree and forest animals dance in a round game

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Finland's Christmas stamps will be issued on 6 November. The designer of the stamps is **Julia Vuori**, who has charmed children and grown-ups alike with her adult uniqueness and childlike merriness in her illustrations for children's picture books and art books as well as her humorous animal cartoons. Perhaps her most famous cartoon character is Pig. For the Christmas stamps, Julia Vuori drew bears and other forest animals.

### In the fir tree forest and around the Christmas tree

There are two Christmas stamps. The €0.60 stamp mainly for Christmas cards shows a big and a small bear traipsing through a snowy forest: they are getting their Christmas tree. The red, 1st class Christmas stamp shows forest animals gathered together around a Christmas tree for a round game. Both stamps are self-adhesive.

### Transparent Frosty Night

On the same date as the Christmas stamps the Frosty Night stamp will be issued. This is believed to be the world's first transparent stamp. Printed on a special film, the €0.80 stamp was designed by **Nina Rintala**.

The designer has created the mystical atmosphere of a winter's night on the stamp using a large snowflake, twinkling stars in the distance, and a flickering aurora borealis. The card or envelope the stamp is affixed to will tint the result with its own colours.



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